Ambassadors in Action

August 2005

Greetings!

As the lazy, crazy, hazy days of summer are upon us and you revel in the memories of your summer vacation or anticipate your upcoming vacation, the Ambassador Program extends a warm, summer hello to you!

The busy season for the Ambassador Program is fast approaching, and this edition of the newsletter provides a preview of things to come from September 2005 to March 2006.

Orientation for Ambassadors

Welcome new Ambassadors! Ambassadors who are new to their role or who were unable to attend the Orientation session held last September are invited to attend an Orientation Session for New Ambassadors on Wednesday, September 14.

The Orientation session will provide new ambassadors with an overview of the Ambassador Program, the role of Ambassadors, and the Ambassador Toolkit. Resources available to support Ambassadors in their role of promoting the Alberta public service to prospective employees will also be highlighted. Learn how to prepare for career fairs and career forums!

How do I register? A detailed invitation that includes a registration link will be emailed to Ambassadors by mid-August.

Career Fairs and Career Forums

Career fairs and career forums are the main avenue for Ambassadors to promote the diverse career opportunities and challenging and rewarding work that the Alberta public service has to offer.

The Ambassador Program corporately sponsors a number of career fairs to promote the APS as a whole and Ambassadors from various ministries participate in these fairs. Some ministries may have their own booths at the career fairs that meet their specific recruitment needs.

Throughout the year a number of other corporate and ministry specific initiatives may come up in addition to the ones listed in this newsletter. There is definitely no shortage of opportunities available for Ambassadors to participate in!

How do I participate? You will receive email invitations from your Lead Ambassador regarding upcoming Ambassador events. Please inform your Lead Ambassador of the ones that interest you and fit with your availability.

Career Fairs Sponsored by the Ambassador Program 2005-2006

Organization	Event	Date
University of Alberta	Careers Day	Wednesday, September 21/05
University of Calgary	Careers Day	Tuesday, September 27/05
University of Lethbridge	Career Day Aboriginal Career Day	Wednesday, September 28/05 Thursday, September 29/05
Southern Alberta Institute of Technology	Career Fair	Wednesday, November 9/05
Canada Career Week	Career Fair	Friday, November 18/05 Saturday, November 19/05
University of Alberta	Health Sciences Career Fair	Saturday, November 19/05
University of Calgary	Health and Wellness Career Fair	Monday, November 21/05 (Tentative)
University of Alberta	Summer Job Fair	Saturday, January 28/06
Concordia University College of Alberta	Career Fair	Wednesday, February, 1/06
Grande Prairie Regional College	Career Fair	Monday, February 13/06
Mount Royal College	Career Fair	March, 2006
Red Deer College	Career Fair	March, 2006

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Area of Study	Date	Time
Electrical and Computer Engineering	Tuesday, September 27/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Mechanical Engineering	Thursday, September 29/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Alternative Careers for Education	Tuesday, October 4/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Chemistry	Thursday, October 6/05	5:30 to 7:30 pm
Occupational Therapy	Thursday, October 13/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Earth and Atmospheric Sciences	Tuesday, October 18/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Human Ecology	October 2005	TBC
Agriculture	Thursday, October 20/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Environmental and Conservation Sciences	Wednesday, November 2/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Biological Sciences	Tuesday, November 8/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Nutrition and Food Sciences	Tuesday, November 15/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Careers in Scientific Research	Wednesday, November 16/05	5:00 to 7:00 pm

Note: An invitation to participate in the Winter Term Career Forums will be sent in December.

It is with the participation of our Ambassadors that the Ambassador Program continues to be a success. Thank you for your continued commitment to the Ambassador Program.

We Want to Hear From You!

We're interested in your thoughts and ideas! If you have suggestions for the Ambassador Program, or feedback on the newsletter, or if you have an article (e.g. what it's like to be an Ambassador; career fair/career forum experiences; ministry initiatives, etc.) that you would like to contribute, please contact kim.smith@gov.ab.ca. The next edition of the Ambassadors in Action Newsletter will be Spring 2006.